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- 1. EMBASSY IS CONTACTING FIRMS LISTED IN REFTEL AS REQUESTED. PLEASE NOTE THAT WALK, HAYDEN AND ASSOCIATES, AND CLATAX OIL HAVE EITHER CEASED TO OPERATE OR NEVER DID OPERATE IN VENEZUELA. IF DESIRABLE, WE CAN RECOMMEND A SUBSTITUTE PETROLEUM SERVICE FIRM (E.G., GULF).
- 2. WE NOTE THAT MOST OF FIRMS LISTED IN REFTEL ARE CONSULTANT ENGINEERING COMPANIES. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF US FIRMS, CONDUCTING MANUFACTURING OPERATIONS IN VENEZUELA (E.G., FORD, KRAFT) WHICH COULD ALSO BE CONTACTED. SOME OF THEM WILL UNDOUBTEDLY REQUEST MEETINGS WITH THE TEAM, AND YOU MIGHT CONSIDER INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE AMONG YOUR INITIAL CONTACTS. WE ALSO SUGGEST THAT TEAM CONSIDER CONTACTING LARGE U.S. BANKING COMMUNITY IN VENEZUELA AND AT TLEAST ONE OR TWO PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRMS LOCATED HERE WHO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE US COMMUNITY ON TAX MATTERS.
- 3. REPRESENTATIVES OF VENEZUELAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UNCLASSIFIED

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HAVE EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN MEETING WITH GAO TEAM JULY 7 OR 8. THIS WOULD BE INFORMAL MEETING WITH LIMITED PARTICIPATION THE PURPOSE OF WHICH WOULD BE TO ASCERTAIN THE ROLE OF THE CHAMBER IN ASSISTING THE GAO WITH ITS STUDY.

4. TEAM HAS RESERVATION AT THE SAVOY. VAKY

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